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In re the Application of

Hajime WATABE et al.

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Examiner:

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For:

GAME APPARATUS, STORAGE MEDIUM AND COMPUTER PROGRAM THAT ADJUST

LEVEL OF GAME DIFFICULTY (AS AMENDED)

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 2, 2006, an extension of time for a period of two months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 178308 in the amount of \$450 in payment for: Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$120.00)

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Respectfully submitted,

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